IN THE CLAIMS:

- 1. (Amended five times) A composition free of whole *Eimeria* parasites, which comprises one or more proteins, or fragments thereof, wherein said proteins:
- (a) are present in the hydrophilic phase of a tertocty/phenoxypoly (ethoxyethanol) extract of *Eimeria* sporozoites; and
- (b) have molecular masses of 26-30 kDa ± 5 kDa when determined by SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions;

and wherein said composition consists essentially of proteins which are non-membrane-bound in *Eimeria*.

- 2. (Amended) The composition according to claim 1, wherein said extract of *Eimeria* sporozoites is an extract of *E. tenella*, *E. acervulina*. *E. maxima*, *E. brunetti*, *E. necatrix* or *E. mitis* sporozoites.
- 3. (Amended three times) The composition according to claim 1, wherein at least 50% w/w of proteinaceous material present is made up of one or more of said proteins and/or fragments.
- 4. (Amended three times) The composition according to claim 1, wherein a plurality of said proteins, and/or fragments or variants thereof are present.
- 5. (Amended three times) The composition according to claim 1, wherein only one of said proteins or fragments thereof is present.
 - 13. (Amended three times) The vaccine composition according to claim 12, wherein said vaccine comprises an adjuvant.



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- 14. (Amended four times) The composition according to claim 13, wherein the adjuvant is Quil A.
- 15. (Amended twice) The vaccine composition according to claim 12, which is in unit dosage form.
 - 27. (Amended) The vaccine composition according to claim 13, which is in unit dosage
- 28. (Amended) The vaccine composition according to claim 14, which is in unit dosage ∇ / form.